September 2014 Immigration Fraud Reading List

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Fraud Against Immigrants, Including the Unauthorized Practice of Law (UPL):

• September 3, 2014 - SoCal Immigration Attorney Charged In Indictment and Civil Lawsuit with Defrauding Foreign Investors Seeking 'Green Cards' (Los Angeles, CA) http://www.justice.gov/usao/cac/Pressroom/2014/112.html

Facilitators of Immigration Fraud:

August 22, 2014 - Manassas man pleads guilty to immigration document fraud (Fairfax, VA)
 http://fairfaxnews.com/2014/08/manassas-man-pleads-guilty-immigration-document-fraud/

http://patch.com/virginia/manassas/green-card-fraud-guilty-plea-manassas-resident

 August 22, 2014 - McLean Business Managers and Strayer University Official Convicted, Sentenced for Large-Scale Immigration Fraud (Alexandria, VA)
 http://www.justice.gov/usao/vae/news/2014/08/20140822tellawinr.html

http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1408/140822alexandria2.htm

 August 22, 2014 - Guatemalan Man Pleads Guilty To Conspiracy to Fraudulently Obtain Counterfeit Green Cards and Social Security Cards (Alexandria, VA)
 http://www.justice.gov/usao/vae/news/2014/08/20140822polanconr.html

http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1408/140822alexandria.htm

• August 21, 2014 - Two Indicted with Impersonating Federal Agents in Immigration Scam (Boston, MA) http://www.justice.gov/usao/ma/news/2014/August/SoaresandSteinindictedPR.html

http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1408/140814boston.htm

 August 13, 2014 - Leader of Sovereign Citizen Group Convicted of Causing the Impersonation of Diplomats and Producing False IDs (Alexandria, VA)
 http://www.justice.gov/usao/vae/news/2014/08/20140813macbridenr.html

http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1408/140813alexandria.htm

• August 12, 2014 - Nigerian Man Arrested in UK for Illinois Fraud Indictment (East St. Louis, MO) http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/nigerian-scammer-arrested-in-u-k-on-illinois-charges/article_cdb0d11b-bb95-579e-a288-f31a149be487.html

 August 12, 2014 - 14 individuals charged with trafficking identities of Puerto Rican US citizens (Washington, DC)

http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/2014/August/14-crm-849.html

http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1408/140812washingtondc.htm

August 11, 2014 - New York Lawyers Accused of Immigration Fraud Schemes (New York, NY)
 http://jamaica-gleaner.com/gleaner/20140811/int/int7.html

http://www.lawfuel.com/immigration-lawyer-faces-visa-fraud-charges

Fraud by Individuals for Their Own Benefit:

- September 4, 2014 New Jersey Man Pleads Guilty To Operating Fraudulent Visa And Payroll Scheme To Facilitate Illegal Immigration (Newark, NJ) http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/2014/September/14-crm-936.html
- **September 2, 2014** Convicted Bomber Faces Immigration Fraud Charges in Detroit (Detroit, MI) http://news.yahoo.com/convicted-bomber-faces-immigration-fraud-charges-detroit-142533380.html
- August 26, 2014 Rapid City Man Sentenced For Hiring Alien Workers (Rapid City, SD)
 http://www.justice.gov/usao/sd/pressreleases/2014/RC-2014-08-26-Munoz-Botello.html
- August 20, 2014 Texas Man Sentenced To Four Years on Drug and Immigration Charges (Bangor, ME)
 http://www.justice.gov/usao/me/news/20140820 soto moises sentenced.html
- August 19, 2014 Cupertino Businessman Sentenced To Prison and Ordered To Forfeit \$100,000 for High-Technology Worker Visa Fraud (San Jose, CA)
 http://www.justice.gov/usao/can/news/2014/2014 08 19 patwardhan.sentenced.press.html

http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1408/140819sanjose.htm

• August 15, 2014 - Phoenix man sentenced for green card, identity document fraud (Phoenix, AZ) http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1408/140815phoenix.htm